

# Eighth Annual Little 500 starts Apr. 15

Revvling of engines and screeching of tires are common sounds heard around campus at the close of the semester, and the reason is no well-kept secret. It's Little 500 Weekend, second of the "big two" weekends of the school year.

Little 500 began in 1963 and featured people-powered wooden chariots that raced around the campus for 500 minutes (that's eight hours plus). The first chariot to cross the finish line was awarded the munificent sum of \$50; second place garnered \$30 and third took \$20.

By 1971 the race had come out of the Stone Age and the student-powered vehicles were replaced by motorized go-karts. The course was set at seven-tenths of a mile and the ante was upped to \$500 for the first-place kart team. The race has expanded and the events now cover the entire weekend, with time trials, mixers, and the crowning of a Little 500 Queen highlighting festivities.

Jerry Adams (sr.-ESF), chairman of this year's events says "I'm very optimistic about this year's race. We got an early start in planning, first semester, so it should be quite intriguing."

First-place driver in the race will receive \$500; second place, \$250; third place, \$125; fourth place, \$75; and fifth place, \$50. Each of the winners, including sixth place, will receive five mugs and a trophy. The first-place winner will also get his name and date of the race engraved on a new "Traveling Trophy," which is being sponsored by Anhaeuser-Busch. All place trophies and plaques were also purchased by them.

A new addition to this year's go-karts is a rod added to the engines. "The purpose of this rod is to make the engine less susceptible to blow-

ing up and to prolong its life," says Adams.

Time trials for the race will commence Saturday at 8:45 a.m. and will continue until everyone has qualified. In contrast to time trials, the race itself is based on endurance of the kart, not on speed.

The ballroom will open 8 a.m. Saturday. At this time the karts will be taken to the pit area. At 8:45 a.m., everyone participating in the race should be at the track. Lunch will be served at 10:50 a.m., and by 11:50 a.m. everyone should have returned to their karts. The track will be cleared at 1:30 p.m. and qualifications will begin at 1:45 p.m., and the racing order will be determined by drawing from a hat. After everyone has qualified, the track is off limits to any karts until race day.

"This year there are 22 entries, and each entry is responsible for selecting its own king and queen candidate," says Adams.

In appreciation of Anhaeuser-Busch's involvement in Little 500 Weekend, Michelob beer will be served at all functions during this event.



Drivers of the present will be anxiously awaiting the signaling of the start of the race as these drivers of the 1976 Little 500 were. The karts on the left and the right in the front won second and first places, respectively.

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## Behnke Sets Up New Administration; Aims To Achieve Student Participation

By TONY TILLER

Mark Behnke, newly-elected SA president, is a busy man; busy with the business of setting up a new administration and getting it moving. The main goals of his administration are increased involvement of the student body, better communication, and better organization within the SA itself.

"We are going to reach these goals by surveying the students and finding out their needs and interests; we'll be doing this throughout this month," says Behnke. "In being open with the students, we hope they will be open with us about the things they really are interested in."

Reaching these goals will not be an easy task, but Behnke and his officers are ready for the challenge. Advisory councils, like the one that operated under Behnke as sophomore class president, are being planned for each class. Time spent in the

dorms and a series of "fireside chats" on Channel 12 will give each student the opportunity to see what his student government is all about.

"If students don't come to us to find out what is going on, then it is our duty to take the student government to them," asserts Behnke.

Behnke is unique in that he is one of the few students in SA history to be elected to serve as president in his junior year (since 1967, two others served in their junior year). This gives him an advantage over those who have served in their senior years.

"Since Belinda Brown (secretary); Janel Townsend (treasurer), and myself will serve as juniors next year, we will be held strictly accountable the following year for all we did. This gives us a greater incentive to do our jobs to the very best of our abilities," says Behnke.



BEHNKE

He notes that the SA is, in reality, a business and it should be run as such—to get the job done as efficiently as possible with the maximum responsibility and student input. Organization starts with the SA officers, and this is what Behnke is aiming for.

In order to maintain sanity, lots and lots of confidence is needed. This does not seem to be in short supply in the SA offices.

"You really have to have a lot of confidence in yourself before you decide to run," notes Behnke. "I felt that the SA needed an uplifting, a change, and I think I am qualified to do a good job."

### CALENDAR MEETING

The annual calendar meeting will be held Saturday at 9 a.m. in Halleck 204. Events to be sponsored must be presented at this meeting in order to be placed on the calendar for 1978-79.

## Foreign Study Grants Slated

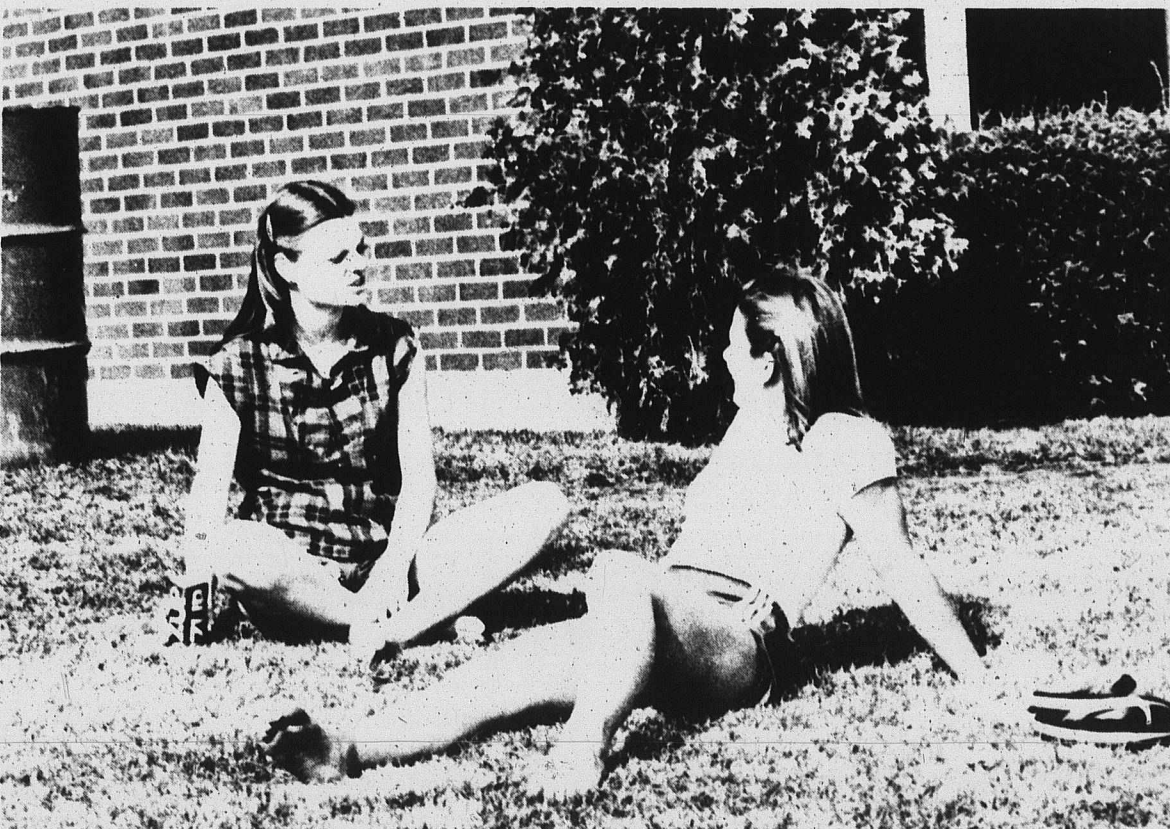
Competition for grants for graduate study and for professional training in the creative and performing arts is scheduled to begin May 1, 1978, as announced by the Institute of International Education for the 1979-80 academic year.

Approximately 500 awards to 50 countries will be available for these grants, whose purpose is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills.

To enter a foreign country, applicants must be U.S. citizens, hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent before the beginning date of the grant and, in most cases, be proficient in the language of the host country. A bachelor's degree is not required of creative and performing artists, but they must have four years of professional study or equivalent experience.

Selection for the grants is based on the academic and/or professional record of the applicant, the validity and feasibility of the proposed study plan, and the applicant's language preparation and personal qualifications. Preference is given to candidates who have not had prior opportunity for extended study or residence abroad.

Interested students should contact Fulbright Program advisor Dr. John Posey in Gaspar 207 for further information and application material.



Colleen Hamilton (fr.-Jus.), left, and Lisa Elliott (jr.-Hal.) soak up the sunshine, as Pumas of all shapes and sizes welcomed the tardy spring and took advantage of the warm weather and clear skies.



## Calendar Conflicts

Graduation — the word signifies something special to college students, that time when they will become full-fledged "adults" able to face the world and all of its trials and tribulations. The word also conjures up thoughts of June, the month when everything, including the lives of graduating students, comes into full bloom. However, the faculty has set about to change all of this.

In approving the proposal that all graduations, starting with the next school year, be moved from their traditional place in June to within a week of the closing of winter semester, the faculty failed to find a suitable solution for those seniors who might be a credit or two away from graduating.

Usually, a senior could go to spring session to make up needed credits. However, moving graduation to May would spoil his chances of gaining these credits and the approximate one-eighth of the senior class that attends spring session yearly would not receive its diplomas with its classmates.

One solution to this problem was discussed, in which a senior without the exact number of credits needed to graduate could still attend the ceremony. Instead of a diploma, these seniors would get a blank piece of paper. A signed diploma would be provided when the credits were made up. It would make this ceremony, one of the most important in the student's life, "not worth a bucket of warm spit."

One of the reasons given for making this proposal was that "the students asked for it." What students?

We urge the faculty to reconsider its approval of this proposal, which seems to have been made on the basis of practical expediency without regard for the obviously emotional impact of the issue.

## Keep '500' Safe

The excitement of LeMans, the thrills of the Grand Prix, and the glory of Indy will be coming to Saint Joe via our own Little 500. This event is one of the biggest to happen in Pumasville all year, and we hope to see a safe race, as it has been in the past. There are some things that students can do to help keep this race safe.

First, the spectators should not cross the track just as a car is bearing down upon them. They should stay to the side until a track marshal signals that it is safe to cross. In this way, you will not distract the driver and you will avoid any possibility of being run down by one of the karts.

Second, the pit-stop area is off-limits to all except designated officials of the race, pit crews, and the drivers; this is to avoid disruption of the servicing of the karts. It is suggested that you stay in the areas designated as spectator areas.

This will be a great day; you can make certain that it will remain so by following the rules for spectators.

## Recruits Arrive Friday

By TONY TILLER  
Pumas beware!

By the time you are reading this, our campus may be infiltrated by . . . THEM!

They arrive early in the morning, before many Pumas even think about rubbing the sleep from their eyes. Many of THEM are unrecognizable to Pumas, although you might suspect . . .

They are not alone, though. They have inside contacts, even in the administration itself. A number of students even go so far as to take

THEM all over our campus, even into our dorms. They even stay overnight, mixing with us, studying us, learning about us.

However, at one time or another, many of us were one of THEM. These are the high school recruits brought from the east coast by the admissions office.

We should all do our utmost to make them welcome, since they will be staying until Saturday night. Let's show them what makes us unique.

## Letters To The Editor

Letters to the editor will be printed as space allows. STUFF reserves the right to edit all letters. Letters must be signed, although names may be withheld upon request. Letters should be mailed to STUFF, Box 772, Campus, or brought to Room 301, Halleck Center.

Dear Editor,

I would like to recall my freshman (74-75) and sophomore years (the years immediately tell you that I am a senior and a classmate of the bold personal pronoun "I", who in a recent flyer challenged the Saint Joe community to travel to Charleston, Ill., to support the Pumas).

In those early days at SJC, the letters to STUFF were usually rather short; current letters, flyers, and even STUFF articles are now, of necessity, much longer. Some deal with single issues in greater detail and with far greater wit than has previously been displayed by anyone, living or dead. Others simply deal with several issues.

Length aside, those primitive, stylistically inferior, early STUFF letters differ from their modern counterparts in another important way: the family name of the author could always be found at the end of an early letter!

But men are constantly moving on to new levels of consciousness; Pumas are no different. To illustrate, the boring, traditional names that once filled the by-lines of STUFF articles are currently being replaced with participles used as nouns or with adverbial phrases that tell the reader how the author feels or wishes to remain (for example, "A. Nonymity" authored an indictment of the SJC pep band). It is interesting to note that in the preceding case, the author used the traditional name motif in the

more advanced adverbial phrase style.

To continue, I believe that speaking out anonymously is tantamount to not speaking out at all. Some may call it cowardice; others, lacking conviction.

I laud those who still sign their names to what they have written and believe in.

Anonymously,  
Courageously and modestly,  
A concerned student,  
A disgusted person;  
ad nauseam!  
Ted Kundrat



## Core Challenges Students To Decide

By REGINALD PULLIAM

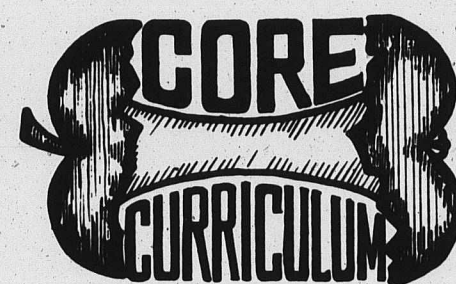
Once again, we students have traded information concerning which Core teachers are a blessing from above, and which are equivalent to six of the seven deadly sins. Throughout campus were heard discussions of which teacher would be an easy "A", as well as those teachers to be avoided like the Russian flu. Rather than doing what is academically sound, one prefers to do what is academically expedient, or so it seems.

First, just what is this mad rush to secure the best grade with the least amount of effort all about? Secondly, what is our much-touted Core program all about? Most important, what is our education in general about?

Grades, that highly-valued enigma of the American society, leave many of us in a veritable state of anxiety. Many of us could care less if learning would, by some strange fate, occur. "Just show me that 'A' and I'll be okay" is the familiar jingle. It is bad enough that many of us take the well-known path rather than trying new and uncharted territory, but then we gripe about the quality of education we receive.

Is our Core program merely structured in a piecemeal fashion, giving us an inkling here and a smidgen there?

Or does it give us an integrated approach to general education? In other words, is Core in any way, whatsoever relevant to our educational process?



We have all been told one of Core's major aims is to present to us an "interdisciplinary approach to reflecting on man, his situation, civilization, and culture, his achievements and problems, his meanings and purpose." In years past, over-specialization in a single area was explored, while neglecting those areas considered to be the basics. This resulted in a myopic outlook on life.

The Core program has attempted to remedy this problem by showing how all disciplines converge in many respects and are very much interested. But educators are faced with the all-too-often "so what" of the students. Indeed if we want to cherish the fact that we can think and act logically, or dissect an argument to its barest facts, it is essential that we know all of the above.

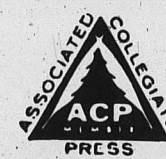
The Core program, I feel, has accomplished this task. Of course it does lack in other areas, such as in the sciences and mathematics. Science Core is a step in the right direction but we need more of the hard-core basis in physics, chemistry and biology.

What does all of this gibberish have to do with selecting your Core teachers carefully? Simply this. An "A" is fine, but was my brain titillated and taxed? Was I prompted to deeper levels of thought? Did I come out of that classroom feeling exhilarated? If not, then I probably overlooked my daily ration of Tijuana Gold.

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# 4-1 Baseballers Await ICC Opponents

By MONIQUE LACOUTURE

Saint Joseph's baseball Pumas opened the delayed 1978 season last Thursday with a doubleheader sweep over Marion (Ind.) College. Rain and cold weather forced the cancellation of 14 games, including the opener which was scheduled for Mar. 11.

In the first game of the twin bill, the Pumas scored five runs in the fourth inning to propel them to a 7-2 victory. Don Steinhilber went two-for-four at the plate and knocked home two runs, while co-captain Nick Calo hit two singles and Kirk Adams cracked a two-run double. Bob Nicholas picked up the win, with relief help from George Ushela.

Kevin Sims sparked the 13-hit attack in the 11-9 second-game win by smacking two home runs. Randy Herring knocked in three runs with three singles, while Steve Stitz had two hits. Mike Luck gained the win in relief.

"I was very pleased with the hitting in these games," coach George Post says, "but I was more surprised with our fielding—for our first time on the field, we only picked up five errors in two games."

Saint Joe beat Purdue-Calumet 14-3 Friday in a makeup of a rained-out game. Eleven hits were banged out by the Pumas, but pitching was the story as Dave Caldwell struck out nine and walked only one en route to this win.

Notre Dame got "fooled" by the Pumas, losing 11-1 in the first game of a doubleheader Saturday. Herring led the way in this 16-hit barrage with four hits, followed by

Calo with three hits, two RBI's, and four stolen bases. Ushela went the distance to gain his first victory.

Saint Joseph's offensive

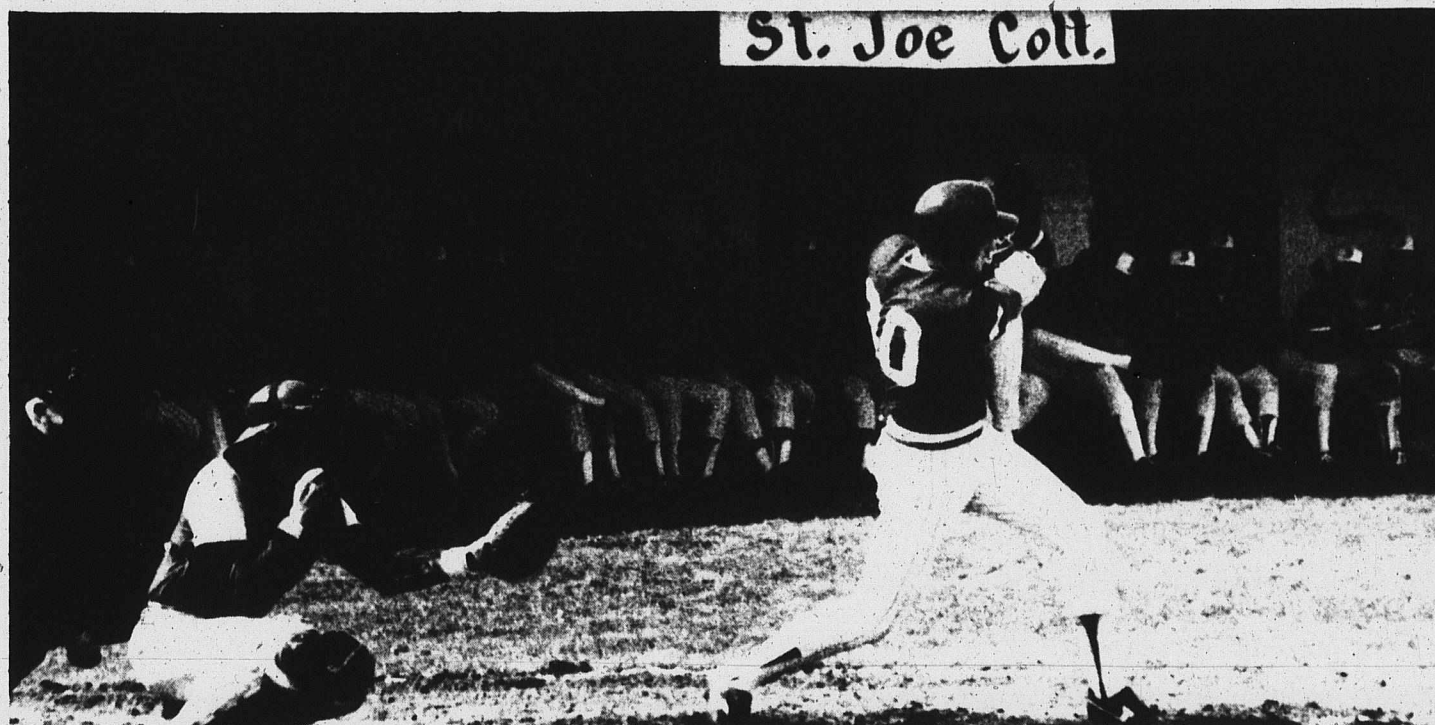
power ran low in the second game, though, as they could only muster four hits in an extra-inning affair. The Fighting Irish broke a 1-1 tie in the bottom of the ninth with

three straight hits to win, 2-1. Luck suffered the loss.

Valparaiso will host the Pumas in a single game Friday and a doubleheader Saturday in the first of four Indiana Collegiate Conference tussles. The Pumas open a seven-game homestand starting with Bellarmine Sunday afternoon. Kentucky Wesleyan comes in Tuesday, and Evansville Apr. 15-16.

Out of the four teams who will comprise the upcoming homestand, Post feels that Evansville will prove to be the Pumas' greatest challenge. Last year, the Pumas split a doubleheader with the Aces, winning 6-1 and losing 3-0. He also rates Valparaiso and Bellarmine as tough challengers.

"Our one goal this season is to get into the NCAA tournament," Post says. "It's a lofty goal, but it's attainable."



Kevin Sims powers one of his two home runs in the season-opening doubleheader here last Thursday against Marion (Ind.) College. Saint Joe toppled the Giants by 7-2 and 11-9 to get the 1978 season off to a flying start.

## Sports Roundup

### Puma Runners Place Third At Earlham

By JACK McGRAIL

#### TRACK AND FIELD

Saint Joe's men's team started on the right foot by placing third versus Earlham and Wabash at Earlham College Apr. 1. Both James Gwyn and Mike Haberman finished first in their races, the 440 and the triple jump, respectively.

On Saturday the Pumas travel to Wabash for the Wabash Relays, then they will run in the DePauw Invitational Apr. 15.

Also on Saturday, the women's team takes on Purdue in the first of nine away meets scheduled. The Pumas go against Manchester College Apr. 11 and Ball State Apr. 17.

#### SOCCER

"Everything looks really good for the spring season," player-coach Gerry Ramker says in reference to his soccer team. Three away games

have been scheduled, since the team will be using this season as a tune-up for the fall season, which will include 18 games, both home and away.

"Participation has been excellent for soccer, even though we're only a club sport," says Ramker.

Saint Joe's will open its season Sunday against Catholic Theological Union, then face IUPUI Apr. 22 and Ball State Apr. 27.

#### TENNIS

Saint Joseph's men's team opened its 1978 season Apr. 1

at Wabash College and lost 9-0.

"Although we did lose our first match, I think we have a promising team that will surprise some other teams with our poise and confidence," says coach Father Ambrose Ruschau.

Wabash College is playing host for the Little State Meet Friday and Saturday in which the Pumas will participate. The team then travels to Valparaiso Apr. 11 and returns home Wednesday to play Indiana Central at 3 p.m. in a dual match.

## PUMA PRINTS

### FCA Offers Positive Ideas

By KEVIN KIDD

What do Roger Staubach, Tom Landry, Brooks Robinson, and Mike Bettinger have in common? They all belong to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA).

Since its beginning in 1954, the purpose of the FCA has been to exert the influence athletes and coaches have on people into a positive attitude towards Christ.

Bettinger says that the FCA's function is to be a "supplement to the church's teachings throughout the United States." Pro athletes, from their respective sports, confront the public and help proclaim the word of Christ. FCA, in its own right, is inter-denominational.

Week-long conferences of the FCA are held during the summer months across America. Bettinger has attended some of these conferences in Wisconsin.

"Summer conferences were attended by both guys and girls. Prayer meetings are held every day and we'd participate in some sporting events during the day," he explains. "Even big-name athletes would come to the conferences and talk about what Christ meant to their lives."

Bettinger says these people leave the conferences with a positive attitude towards life.

"These conferences influence your athletic outlook, but in the end, one's outlook on life is influenced more with the messages of Christ." Bettinger hopes to establish a chapter of the FCA, but has received little support so far. Anyone interested in information concerning FCA can contact Bettinger or write the national headquarters in Kansas City. The address is:

Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
Suite 812, Trader's National Bank Bldg.  
1125 Grand Avenue  
Kansas City, Mo. 64106

Bettinger adds, "to understand what the FCA is, all you have to do is study three words — Fellowship means sharing, Christian means spreading the word of Christ, and Athletes are those who help spread this word. It's that simple."

FCA is for all of us. The role of the layman in the FCA movement is not as well defined, or as publicized, or as exciting, perhaps, as the position of the athlete and coach. But no role is as important.

## 22 Teams Battle For IM Playoff Titles

By RON TRIPPEL

Women's IM basketball has concluded with the championship game between the Leaner Weiners and the Mud City Maulers. Mary Ann Klemm (so.-Jus.) captained the Leaner Weiners to a 20-12 victory and the championship crown.

Men's IM basketball A league playoffs pits the top offensive team, the Bennett AWT, against the best defensive team, the Gallagher Flaming Youth, in a best-of-five series for the league title.

B league's championship series features the West Seifert Warriors, undefeated in regular-season play, and the Noll Stoned Ponies in a best-of-three playoff.

In C league semi-final action the Noll Executioners battle the Noll Experience in a bid for a championship series berth. Meanwhile, the East Seifert 8 Butts & 16 Nuts face the defending champs, the Gallagher Squinty-Eyed Dogs, in the other semi-final pairing.

Gallagher's Kiwis finished their IM floor hockey season in first place with 15 points and a 6-0-3 record. The Kiwis will face the defending cham-

pions, the Gallagher Slashers, in a first-round, best-of-three series in the playoffs.

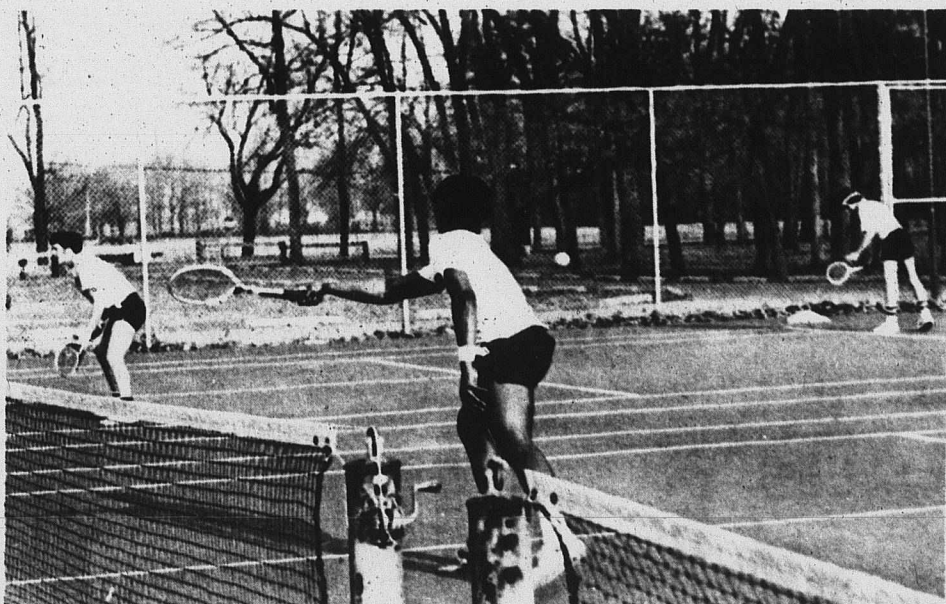
While posting a 6-1-2 record en route to a second-place finish, the East Seifert Ice Pak earned a playoff spot against the Merlini Bongs, 7-2-0, in other first-round action.

Finishing with the best season record, 34-8, the East Seifert Whalers enter the first round of the IM bowling playoffs against the Marauders. The Coneheads' 28-14 record earned them the number two spot in division

I and they will open playoff competition against Eat At Joe's.

Division II's Noll Stoned Ponies captured first place with a 31-11 finish and will tackle the Bang Gang in their first playoff outing. The Blackout Luders, 30-12, finished a close second and will meet the Mud City Maulers in their playoff opener.

Apr. 13-14 this year's IM co-ed volleyball champions will be determined in a best-of-three double elimination playoff between the two regular-season division winners.



Mark Doss (so.-Swn.) lunges for a volley during Monday's tennis match here against Valparaiso. Valpo tripped the Pumas, leaving the netters with an 0-2 season record.



# Spring Session Offers Many Unique Courses

By TOM CANNON

**Oriental Philosophies**, a study of Hinduism, Buddhism, Zen, and their significance for the west, will be one of many unique courses offered during spring session, which will last from May 7 to June 9.

Pre-registration for the spring session will be held during the week of Apr. 10-14, in the registrar's office in Xavier Hall between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. This pre-registration is very important because courses may be dropped due to lack of enrollment. This will be determined by the number of applications turned in by Apr. 14.

**Oriental Philosophies** asks the question "why not commit suicide?" The class, being taught by Donald Brinley, associate professor of philosophy, tries to prove that life is still worth living as seen through Oriental writings.

"What we hope to accomplish is an understanding of these three major areas of non-Western wisdom," says Brinley. "If we have time, we may go into a study of Confucianism and Shintoism, two other major areas of thought."

Michael Davis, associate professor of geology, will instruct a course in **Economic Geography of Non-Western Countries**. This course will study the resources of Africa, and the south and eastern parts of Asia.

"We will attempt to cover the geographic factors of areas such as Africa," says Davis. "We will also point out their primary mineral resources and their impact on the development of specific countries, both positive and negative."

In **Psychology of Aging**, Father John Pichitino will instruct a course which will deal with major theoretical issues, findings, and topics of human beings from birth through death.

Father Pichitino says that "some consideration will be

given to child and adult development, but the course will concentrate on psychological problems in the later years of life." He concludes that practical knowledge will be gained by visiting available resources in the Rensselaer community.

Other courses offered include **American Economic History**; **Ecclesiology and the Sacraments**; **Consumer Issues**; **Dynamics of Interviewing**; **the Meaning of Death**; **History of the Assassinations of American Presidents and European Leaders**; and many others.

Dr. William Downard, director of the spring session, estimates an enrollment of 200 students.



Eileen McGinnity, 1977 graduate, explains her transition from college to the working world and how her liberal arts degree in English helped her. She and other alumni spoke to students during Liberal Arts Career Day Mar. 6.

## Alumni Dispel Myths Surrounding Degrees

By BETH PELLICCIOTTI  
Director of Placement

A myth exists about liberal arts degrees. Its basis is that the degree, not the person,

secures the job. Reinforcers of this myth are ironclad statistics about employers' preferences, coupled with first-hand reports of personnel of-

ficers' freeze-outs of liberal arts applicants.

Recently, 11 Saint Joseph's alumni returned to the campus to refute this myth. Some were veterans of the job market; others had recently entered the arena. The big question posed to them by student observers centered on the worth of their liberal arts degrees.

Eileen McGinnity, who will soon complete a move from editing to public relations, said that the person, not the degree, secures the job. One who has developed excellent learning skills has better advancement potential, she said.

Tom DeMint, executive vice-president of J. Walter Thompson, Chicago, hires many college graduates. He searches for the person with imagination and creativity. He moved into advertising because of an interest in drawing, and from this medium, he worked into writing copy.

James Reichert is an example of a graduate with excellent learning potential. An English major, he found his

first job in banking. Through this position, he learned computer operations and moved into medical research through computer work. These students learned from their experiences and applied this knowledge to future tasks. They agreed that while a college degree should allow for many variations in one career, circumstances and the person decide these variations.

Other participants in Liberal Arts Career Day were Susan Beecher (1977), social worker at New Castle Hospital, New Castle, Ind.; J. Michael Cleary (1976), senior lab technician at St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, Ill.; Robert Lehmenkuler (1976), communications representative for Western Union, Indianapolis; Raymond Leliaert (1968), business editor of the South Bend (Ind.) Tribune; Ray McKenna (1971), assistant director of the Public Library District, Zion, Ill.; William Moriarty (1961), a partner in the law firm of Dumas and Moriarty, Rensselaer; and Ray Merritt (1977), owner and operator of radio station WFLR, Freeport, Ill.



By TONY TILLER

Twenty-two more days before we all become free; free from tests, papers, professors, and STUFF. This is the last Social Preview of this semester, and we do hope it was of some use (it's not as good as Bounty for wiping up spills, but it's great for housebreaking a pet!).

Because of the transition period of the new Student Association officers, many of the mixers have yet to be planned at the time of this writing. So, we present to you, a preview and review of the coming movie:

Friday, Apr. 7, movie — **Bad News Bears**, 8 p.m., auditorium.

Starring Walter Matthau and Tatum O'Neal in a delightful comedy about a Little League team trying to make it big. This film is really good viewing, although you may be surprised what comes out of the mouths of babes! Admission: \$.50 (also to be shown on Sunday in the auditorium).

Due to last-minute problems, only one movie is definite at this writing. One other movie, unknown at this time, will be shown this month. Details will be announced.



Intramural co-ed volleyball action continues as the teams engage in a frantic scramble for the top position in each division to qualify for a championship berth.

## Cagers Honored At Awards Dinner

Several Puma basketball players were honored with various awards over the past weekend, in recognition of their fine play and dedication during the past season.

Senior guard-forward Tom Gallant and junior guard Kevin Sims were named co-winners of Saint Joseph's most valuable player basketball award for 1977-78 at the Pumas' annual basketball awards dinner Saturday at the Curtis Creek Country Club.

Gallant was an all-around sparkplug for the Pumas during their 19-8 season. As team captain, he averaged 9.7 points per game, hauled down 5.2 rebounds per game and tied for team leadership with Sims in assists with 102.

Sims led the Pumas in scoring with 391 points, good for a 14.4 per-game average. He also topped the team in field goals (146) and free throws (99).

Gallant was also nominated for the college division Academic All-America basketball team, as announced by head coach George Waggoner.

"Tom has proven himself to be an outstanding basketball player, but beyond this, he is a leader by example on the playing floor, in the classroom and in his many other areas of involvement on campus," Waggoner comments.

An accounting major, Gallant has achieved a 3.34 cumulative index, based on a 4.00 scale through the first

seven semesters of his college career.

Final members will be chosen by the College Sports Information Directors of America, with the voting to be conducted within the next month.

Also on the receiving end of these accolades is freshman guard-forward Neil Brown, who has been named to the first all-star team of the Indiana Collegiate Conference for the 1977-78 season.

Brown finished as the league's fifth-leading scorer with an average of 14.5 points per game; he also ranked sixth in field goal percentage with a .515 showing and was fourth in free throw percentage at .838.